

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 695

By Walley

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Dorsey Ann Lunsford Lazenby of Williston.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Dorsey Ann Lunsford Lazenby, an outstanding employee of the Appellate Court Clerk's Office, Western Division, in Jackson; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lazenby began her illustrious career with the State of Tennessee in 1996 and then transferred to the Appellate Court Clerk's Office, Western Division, in 2005; and

WHEREAS, during her twenty-five years of State service, she worked in the Jackson Supreme Court building for sixteen of them and would have celebrated her sixteenth anniversary with the Clerk's Office in July 2021; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lazenby was a joyful member of the Appellate Court Clerk's family who actually whistled while she worked, and she will be greatly missed by her colleagues and the many people she assisted as a staff clerk; and

WHEREAS, throughout her tenure in the Clerk's Office, she ensured that the records of the Western Division of the Appellate Courts were organized and maintained in an easily accessible manner; and

WHEREAS, Dorsey Lazenby provided all shipping and mailing services and maintained office supplies for the Jackson Supreme Court building; and

WHEREAS, she was diligent and respectful in the manner in which she provided services to the Clerk's Office, the judges, and the lawyers and citizens who were involved in court proceedings; and

WHEREAS, Dorsey Lazenby had a heart of gold and loved helping others; she was also quite a character and reveled in conversation when given the opportunity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lazenby was truly a people person, and she loved the arts and activities in the great outdoors; and

WHEREAS, she was a Christian woman, and her Christian ideals were present in the daily positive spirit she displayed in her dealings with her colleagues and the public; and

WHEREAS, she expressed her faith as a member of Williston United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Fayette Ware Comprehensive High School, Mrs. Lazenby gave back to her community by volunteering with the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life and Fayette Cares; and

WHEREAS, Dorsey Lazenby's memory will be cherished by those family and friends who survive her, including her husband of thirty-five years, Hugh M. "Bubba" Lazenby, Jr.; her daughter, Megan Brooke Lazenby; her son, Brandon Marshall Lazenby; her sister, Natelee Lansdell; her sisters-in-law, Janice Logan (Ronnie) and Glenda Kee (Harlan); her brother-in-law, Gordon Lazenby (Louise); her uncle, Bill Lunsford (Gay); and a host of nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her parents, Dorsey Love "Blackie" Lunsford, Jr., and Jeannine Dolores Marshall Lunsford; and her nephew, Bobby Ferge; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lazenby's passing has created a void in the lives of her family, church family, colleagues, and friends, but her bountiful legacy will live on in their hearts and minds; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Dorsey Ann Lunsford Lazenby of Williston, reflecting fondly upon her professionalism in public life, her devotion in spiritual life, and her great compassion and positivity in all aspects of life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and extend our condolences to Mrs. Lazenby's family and many friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.